

Dear Federal Communications Commission, My statement is being made in support of satellite radio, specifically the XM broadcast. I live in a rural area with very limited AM and FM offerings. It is not my choice to be limited in my family's access to news, weather conditions, and entertainment. This technology has given me the freedom to choose how best I can receive information via these satellite broadcasts. More importantly, given the need to be aware of our mutual national/homeland security concerns, I believe that satellite radio broadcasts assist greatly in my government communicating news and updates to me. How can a governing agency limit my ability to receive such vital news or warnings that concern my family's security and well-being?

I still enjoy my local radio broadcasts as much as I ever have. Local, small town news and goings on are also vital to my quality of life. High school football game broadcasts are just one example. Being able to instantly find news of threatening weather via my satellite radio while I listen to the game via local AM or FM is my choice. Having the technical ability to do so is my freedom. Please do not limit my broadcast choices.

Sincerely, T. Bryan Preston, Jr.